

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Patent Office restricts the present application to one of the following inventions:

Group I - Claims 1-12, drawn to an ionic conductor with a polymer of a substance having a basic group;

Group II - Claims 13-23, drawn to a method of manufacturing an ionic conductor with a monomer of a substance having a basic group; and

Group III - Claims 24-26, drawn to an electrochemical device with a comprising a negative electrode and a positive electrode.

In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I., Claims 1-12, drawn to an ionic conductor with a polymer of a substance having a basic group.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that an examination on the merits of this case be conducted in due course.

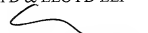
Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application(s), if necessary, to any non-elected claim subject matter.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account 02-1818 for any fees which are due and owing.

Respectfully submitted,

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